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"True to his charge—he comes, the Herald of a noisy world; News from all nations, lumbering at his back."

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The Legislature met yesterday.

In the Senate, Wm. B. BLACKBURN, Esq., of Woodford, was elected Speaker. J. Stone-street, Clerk, and B. R. Pollard, Assistant Clerk, were both re-elected.

For Sergeant-at-Arms, John Buford, 17; M. Davidson, 13. L. Batchelor was elected Doorkeeper.

In the House of Representatives, JOHN L. HELM, Esq., of Hardin County, was elected Speaker, on the first ballot. For Helm, 51; Chas. A. Wickliffe, 40. For Clerk, Thomas D. Helm, 71; Samuel Tevis, 22. Joseph Gray as Sergeant-at-Arms, and W. B. Holman as Doorkeeper, were both re-elected.

At 15 minutes past 12 o'clock, the Lieutenant and Acting Governor communicated to both Houses, the following—

MESSAGE:

Fellow Citizens of the Senate,

and House of Representatives:

In calling you together a few days sooner than the period fixed by law for your annual meeting, I was impelled by a desire to prevent the loss which would result to the Commonwealth and to the stockholders by the termination of the corporate powers and privileges of the first Bank of Kentucky. Those powers and privileges, except for your interposition, will cease by lapse of time after the thirty-first of the present month; and should such an event happen, just doubts are entertained whether they could be revived by an act of legislation, so as to enable the Bank to collect the large amount of debt still due to it. The interest of the state in that institution, amounts to about thirty-five thousand dollars—that of individuals to a much greater sum; and considering the amount and importance of those interests, it was supposed that no difference of opinion would exist as to the propriety of continuing its functions, such reasonable length of time, as would afford an opportunity for the closing of its concerns without sacrifice to the stockholders.

If the time for legislative action should be too limited for the maturity of a plan necessary for that purpose, I would recommend a resort to a temporary law, to expire during the session, at a period sufficiently protracted, to enable you to adjust the details of some final measure, with such caution and deliberation as will adapt it satisfactorily to the legislative will and judgment.

Before I proceed to solicit your attention to the topics which will be presented to you in this communication, I avail myself of the occasion to congratulate you on the unexampled prosperity of the commonwealth, and to express in the most solemn manner, in the name of the people of Kentucky, our thankful acknowledgments to the Sovereign Ruler of the Universe, for the bountiful dispensations of His providence and care. With the exception of those occasional visitations of that relentless epidemic, which sweeps, like a pestilence, whole communities before it, the general health of the country has been good. Favored with a soil and climate, adapted to almost every variety of production, our fellow citizens have found during the past year, ample rewards for all the proceeds of their labor; and so strong are the encouragements offered to successful industry, in the daily increasing facilities of commercial intercourse, and the high prices realized for our exports in the neighboring markets, that a generous ambition every where prevails to enter the lists of competition with our sister states, in those great enterprises which are calculated to awaken and expand our domestic resources, to facilitate our access to distant markets, to strengthen the ties of the Union, and to advance the wealth, the happiness, and the glory of our common country. You are not unaware, that at this peculiar crisis, the eyes of our constituents are directed, with anxious solicitude, to us who have charge of the public welfare; and I hope I may be permitted to add, that from you, as their organs and representatives, much is expected, and that in your wisdom, watchfulness, and fidelity, great confidence is reposed.

The policy adopted by the last legislature, of a general system of Internal Improvement, was the result no less of an enlightened public spirit, than of just and enlarged views of the wants and interests of the state. The cordial approbation with which it has been received by the people, furnishes the gratifying assurance of their cheerful concurrence in every measure which proposes the aggrandizement of the commonwealth and the welfare of its citizens. The geographical position and the commanding natural resources of Kentucky, seemed to leave to her politicians and statesmen no excuse for timidity or indifference in the great business of improving her internal condition. If the exportation of our surplus products was necessary to our prosperity—inasmuch as every portion of the state was not furnished with natural channels of communication—it could not long remain a problem whether the peo-

ple would require of their lawgivers to create facilities which nature had denied to them. Here, within our own borders, were to be found in profuse abundance, the elements of individual wealth and political greatness. But they were to be developed and expanded. An interior state, surrounded by active and flourishing communities, themselves engaged in the construction of great commercial highways, we also required artificial outlets to market and facilities of intercommunication, if we would compete successfully with our enterprising neighbors.

The work of improvement has been commenced under the most favorable auspices, and I offer you my congratulations on the prospects that are now opened upon us. In surveying the consequences to result from the prosecution of the system, the first consideration that presents itself is, that an identity of interest and of feeling will not fail to spring from the connexion of the various parts of the state with each other, when a general diffusion of the means of social and commercial intercourse shall have taken place. To promote that identity of interest and feeling, is one of the first of our political duties. It cannot be doubted that those conflicts of local interest which have been witnessed for years in our state legislation, have had the effect to foster sectional jealousies and prejudices unfriendly to the general welfare. The energies of a state are never more successfully exerted, than when they are propelled by the concentrated force of public sentiment to the attainment of some great design. It is therefore of the utmost consequence, that a spirit of union, of harmony and conciliation should be cherished among our fellow-citizens and characterize our legislative councils; and to accomplish that object nothing is more efficacious than a liberal policy which, by harmonizing the interests of the several parts, will conduce to the welfare of the whole. Another peculiar merit of a general plan of improvement is, that it includes within the range of its benefits every section of our territory. The near—the intermediate—the remote—all are alike embraced; and still another is, that it tends to equalize the condition of the people by creating common avenues to enterprise and a venture—and by a free dissemination of commercial advantages, whereby the markets of the country are rendered available to all.

Considerations like these would seem to be sufficient of themselves to recommend it, if any recommendation were necessary, to the continued confidence and support of an enlightened community. But they are not all. Abundant as are the resources of Kentucky, whether we regard her agricultural or mineral wealth, her commerce or her manufactures, and however highly her claims to present prosperity, the action of the system of Internal Improvement upon her subsisting interest will contribute to their speedy maturity and almost indefinite expansion;—while in those portions of the state, where capital is limited, where population is scarce, where commercial facilities are rare, and where a very few indications exist, more than ordinary industry and enterprise, a commencement if a new era will be recognized, the character of which will be felt in the development of their sunshining energies and resources; in the vigorous impulse that will be given to industrial pursuits, and in the necessary tenacity of those pursuits, to the multiplication of the conveniences of life, and the acquisition of wealth. The solitary operations of the system have already been exemplified, where the benefits of good roads have been extended, by the enlargement of trade, the vast increase and celerity of transportation and travel, the enhanced value of real estate, and a corresponding accession to the public revenue. These facts, when we consider how very partially these benefits have been thus far diffused, owing to the limited extent to which improvements have been carried, will serve to animate our zeal, and strengthen our confidence in the entire success and universal acceptance of the system,—while the singular reference to what remains to be done, will ensure us all, that a wide and inviting field of public usefulness lies open before us.

The charters of the turnpike companies contain no provisions requiring the progress of the works to be reported to this department. I am unable, therefore, to communicate any exact official information concerning the most of them. Several important roads, however, have during the year been put under contract, and the business of improvement has been steadily progressive. The road from the city of Louisville to Bardstown is nearly completed; and great credit is due to the enterprising President and Managers of that Company, for the energy and zeal with which the work has been carried on. On the line of road from Frankfort through Lawrenceburg, Harrodsburg and Stanford to the Crab Orchard, the Board of Internal Improvement in the respective counties, have been actively engaged: six miles and a half of the road have been finished in Anderson; about twenty miles have been put under contract in Mercer, and a great portion in Lincoln. I regret that no successful movement has yet been made to take the stock for that portion of the road which lies in Franklin. From the characteristic public spirit of the citizens of that county, much is expected, and I flatter myself that another year will not be permitted to elapse, before the subscription is taken. The road is in progress from Lexington through Nicholasville, Danville and Lancaster in the direction of the Crab Orchard, and the first twelve miles is completed and put in use. That portion which has been completed has been constructed in the best manner, and is an admirable specimen. The roads from

Lexington to Georgetown, and from the same city to Winchester, are entirely under contract, and it is expected will be ready for use during the coming year. The company who have charge of the road from Lexington to Richmond, have, I believe, not deemed it necessary to do more for the present season, than to have the proper surveys executed. But the stock has been taken, and there can be no doubt, that biddings for the contracts will be opened during the present winter, or early in the spring; from Frankfort to Georgetown, and from Frankfort to Versailles, both roads are in progress, the former with commendable diligence; but the prosecution of the latter, which would probably have been finished in the month of October last, was materially interrupted by the ravages of the cholera in Versailles during the summer. The stock has been subscribed for a road from Augusta, through Cynthiana to Georgetown, and the company will commence its operations at the commencement of the next season. From Louisville to Elizabeth by the mouth of Salt River, a portion of each extremity of the road has been contracted for, and of that part adjacent to Louisville, several miles have either been constructed or will shortly be. In connexion with the latter road, a subscription has been taken, under the amended charter of the last session, for twenty miles of turnpike—ten in each direction from Bowlinggreen. The company has been regularly organized, but no application has yet been made for the State's subscription. Early measures will, without doubt, be adopted for the commencement of the work; and inasmuch as it is parcel of the great leading route from Maysville to Louisville, and from the latter city to Nashville, the example, it is confidently believed, will not be without its influence in superinducing other movements of a like kind, as connecting links of the same important highway. A road has also been undertaken from Nicholasville to Perryville through Harrodsburg, and the greater portion of the stock has been subscribed. From Perryville it is believed, it will be continued through Washington county and Lebanon, to intersect the main road from Louisville to the Tennessee line,—or it may be the interest of the citizens of Green and Barren, to give it a lateral direction, while the more direct route to some convenient point of intersection with that from Louisville, will still be left open to the enterprise and minuteness of those whose interests would be effected by its diversion. Turning our attention to the north-eastwardly part of the State, a company has been formed to make a road from Owingsville in Bath county, to the great Sandy River, to connect with the Virginia Turnpike. Owing to the absence of the proper material and the consequent impracticability of constructing a McAdams turnpike, it is proposed to grade the road to a level from two to three degrees, and elevate the centre of the grade, with such an inclination on either side, as will prevent the water from standing on it. The intermixture of sand and gravel with the soil, over which a great part of the road will pass, will furnish an excellent substitute for the stone material. Such a plan, although certainly liable to some objections, is nevertheless, the only one that can be resorted to in many counties in the state, and is, therefore, adopted from necessity. That necessity will no doubt command it to your favorable consideration. In some of the counties alluded to, and especially in the county of Daviess, where there is the same dearth of stone, the experiment has been made with entire success. The requisite amount of stock has been taken by individuals for a road from Bardstown to Springfield, in Washington county, and the contracts for commencing it will be let as soon as the necessary surveys can be made, and the route selected.

In submitting the preceding rapid, and in many respects, imperfect view of the progress of our improvements, I flatter myself you will participate with me in the enjoyment which so gratifying an exhibition of the public spirit of our fellow citizens affords. But however gratifying, it is only a partial exhibition. From the contemplation of examples so full of encouragement and expectation, so replete with the most beneficial results to the whole length and breadth of the commonwealth, so consonant with the character of the people whose confidence it is our highest honor to share, your attention will be powerfully attracted by the intended route to the city of Louisville. I understand that the company's design proceeding with the remainder of the road without delay.

In my last annual communication I took occasion to allude to the project of a Rail Road, then only in its inception, which was designed to connect Nashville, in Tennessee, with the city of New Orleans; and to remark on the entire inutility of speculating upon the probable accomplishment of such astonishing enterprises. Since that time, speculation and surmise have been put to rest. The intended road has been surveyed either in whole or in part; a portion of it has been placed under contract, and little doubt exists, that it will be prosecuted with the energy, as it will be sustained by the capital, necessary to command success.

Another scheme no less imposing, and presenting considerations of even greater magni-

tude to Kentucky, is now proposed, to unite the Ohio river with the Atlantic ocean by a Rail Road of seven hundred miles in extent, terminating at the city of Charleston in S. Carolina; and from the manifestations of public favor with which it was received, flattering assurances are deduced of the earnest and decided concurrence of the states through which it will pass in its immediate construction. In every aspect in which these subjects can be regarded, it has been deemed proper that your early attention should be called to them. A moment's reflection cannot fail to satisfy the most inattentive observer, of the vast and abiding stake which the citizens of Kentucky, of the whole West and South, and of the nation at large, have in the completion of those interesting projects. Viewed as the channels of commerce and of intercommunication between the states, the most sanguine calculations must fall short of the reality, in estimating the amount of pecuniary interest involved by them: viewed in connexion with the future grandeur of our state, they challenge our hearty co-operation; and when we regard their influence on the permanence of our institutions, on the safety, the repose, and the perpetuity of the union, we feel ourselves by one spontaneous impulse, discarding names and distinctions derived from local or geographical positions—surmounting every consideration of pecuniary benefit, and preparing to take part in their accomplishment with the ardor and the patriotism of American citizens. The policy of uniting the various parts of our widely extended confederacy, by ties of social and commercial intercourse indissoluble as the elements of which they consist, is manifestly important to all the purposes of international wealth and prosperity: but its importance becomes at once conspicuous and inestimable, from its connexion with the higher object of preserving the integrity of its parts. Of all calamities which threaten or can befall our country, it is a conceded point, that national dismemberment is the most dreadful in anticipation, as it would be unquestionably the most fatal in its effects. While the means of averting it are under our control, not to avail ourselves of them, would be to prove that we are faithless to the highest and most sacred of political obligations, to the memory of our ancestors, to the interests of posterity, and to the great cause of human liberty throughout the earth.

The part which it would be most proper for the people of Kentucky to take in the prosecution of these great works, it would perhaps, be premature at this crisis to anticipate. I do not, therefore, deem it necessary to recommend any specific action. But in reference to the road from the Ohio river to Charleston, a convention of delegates has been proposed, and will meet, at some eligible point convenient to all the states interested, some time in the spring; and in that convention it is manifestly important that the interests of Kentucky should be represented.

While such works are in contemplation, intended to unite us with other states, it is gratifying to observe that our citizens are alive to the importance of similar enterprises within our own borders. I derive much pleasure from having it in my power to inform you, that a company of public spirited citizens south of Green river, have been formed to construct a Rail Road from Russellville, through Elkton and Hopkinsville, to some eligible point on the Ohio and Mississippi river, and that surveys of several routes have either been completed or undertaken. A road of the same kind is also proposed from Russellville to the Tennessee line, in the direction to Clarksville, and some incipient movements have been made to obtain subscriptions of stock. The commencement of works, so comprehensive in their design, in a section of the state so remote from the seat of its early settlement, cannot be regarded with indifference by any portion of the community, and indicating, as they do, the growing importance of that section in wealth, enterprise and population, they will receive, I am confident, at your hands, such encouragement as you deem it consistent with your views of good policy to bestow.

I have received no report from the President of the Lexington and Ohio Rail Road Company of the progress of that road during the present year. It has been brought into the town of Frankfort, since my last address to the legislature, and the survey has been executed of the intended route to the city of Louisville. I understand that the company's design proceeding with the remainder of the road without delay.

The report from the Board of Internal Improvement, which will, in due time be laid before you, will apprise you of its operations during the past year. The surveys and examinations of the several rivers which have been made under its direction, have not only confirmed all preconceived opinions favourable to the plan of slack water improvement, but they have resulted, also, in disclosing the abundance of the regions watered by them, in iron, salt, coal and lumber. The wealth of our mountains, and the countries adjacent to them, in those invaluable articles, is an object of the deepest interest to a legislative body, anxious to contribute to the prosperity of the state, by unfolding all its resources of production and trade. Deprived by the operation of natural causes, of the benefits of commercial inter-

course with other parts of the state, except when occasional freshets in the rivers furnish them with outlets, the citizens of the counties bordering on the mountains have labored under great difficulties, not only because few inducements could be presented to immigration and settlement, but because, also, their labor and industry do not receive that sure and sufficient reward which elsewhere awaits both, in the ready transmission and sale of their surplus products.

In pressing, therefore, upon your notice, in the most earnest manner, the wants and the interests of the remote and exterior counties, I am led to do so, not alone from considerations relative to their peculiar condition, but from a deep conviction, that while you relieve and assist them, you will confer benefits upon other parts of the community, by throwing into the markets the abundant resources of their soil and industry—satisfying the demands of those markets now supplied by other states, with domestic productions, of daily consumption and immense value, cheapened by competition.

In view of such useful results, the appropriations to the Kentucky, the Sandy, the Licking, the Rockcastle and Cumberland rivers will be found to have been dictated by motives of sound policy, and will receive, I do not doubt, your decided approbation.

The importance of the navigation of the Kentucky river to the whole region of country tributary to it, requires a delineation from me. As the only channel of water communication with the Ohio, for a distance of more than four hundred miles, the benefits to result from such an improvement of its navigation, as will render it navigable, in all future time, every season of the year, may be pronounced, in one word, to be incalculable. Placed by the legislature in a position of great responsibility, as a member of the Board of Internal Improvement, I have deemed it incumbent on me to acquaint myself, by resorting to every available source of information, with the most efficient and successful mode of subserving the legislative intention, in the appropriation to the Kentucky river, proposed by the law for Internal Improvement. The result has been, and I submit the opinion with great confidence to the test of your better judgments, that this river is susceptible of being made perpetually navigable by locks and dams, for steamboats of at least one hundred tons burthen, from its junction with the Ohio, to the mouth of the South fork, a distance of two hundred and fifty miles. If I should be supported by you in this opinion, after you have examined all the facts and estimates which will be presented by the principal engineer in his report, you will not fail to come to the conclusion, that a work of such magnitude and extent, tributary to so many leading and valuable interests, and involving so many considerations of great public utility, has never been accomplished at so small a comparative cost. In the reliance that such will be your conclusion, I would advise that the necessary preparations be made for placing the work under contract, from the mouth of the Kentucky river to Frankfort, as early in the ensuing season as may be practicable.

Differring from the Kentucky in many of its prominent characteristics, the Sandy river is not supposed either to require or to be susceptible of the same species of improvement. From the report of the assistant engineer, founded on a close and accurate examination, it will be discovered that the obstacles to its navigation can be removed, at a cost less than has been generally estimated, so as to afford a safe navigation seven months in the year from the mouth of the main river, to Pikeville on the West fork, a distance of one hundred and ten miles. A just solicitude is felt by the citizens of the counties in the vicinity of that noble river, to avail themselves of the advantages to be derived from its improvement. The ample resources of the country dependent upon it, and the enterprising spirit of the people, the impracticability of profiting from the former, in the present unpromising condition of the river, and the consequent discouragement to the efficient display of the latter, give them high and imposing claims upon the munificence of the legislature, which, I trust, will not be disappointed.

The report of the United States' engineer, who made the survey of the Cumberland river, will be submitted to you, from which you will discover that the condition on which the appropriation was made to depend for the improvement of that river, has been complied with. Great advantage, I understand, has attended the judicious application of the appropriations heretofore made to it, and the interests of the people in that quarter will be greatly promoted by the additional expenditure proposed by the law of the last session of the legislature.

The report of the principal engineer of his examination of the Rockcastle river, will put you in possession of his views of the most salutary and efficient method of removing the impediments to its navigation. To that I refer you. Considering the deprivation of commercial facilities to which the citizens of the counties bordering on that river are subjected, they present highly meritorious claims to your protection and patronage, which, I am persuaded, will be fully respected.

In compliance with a resolution of the last general assembly, I appointed a joint committee of six members of the present House of Representatives and three of the Senate, to visit and examine the public works now on Green river. The uncommon floods of the season, affording so few intervals of employment to the contractors, materially retarded the progress of the works, and at the request of the President of the board of commissioners, who was anxious that they should be examined at the time of their greatest forwardness, I delayed the selection of a committee, to as late a period as practicable before the meeting of the Legislature. Two of the committee met at the Falls of Vienna, on Monday the 7th of the present month, and were subsequently joined by such of the remainder who found it convenient to attend. Their report will doubtless be laid before you at an early day in the session. In the meantime I beg leave to say, as the result of my own personal enquiry and observation, that all practicable diligence has been used by the contractors to expedite the works. The necessary materials of timber and stone were on the spot early in the spring, and the failure to complete the lock and dam at Vienna, the present year, is attributable to unavoidable causes. A year more remarkable for the frequency of its freshets, and the continuance of high water, is not within the recollection of the oldest settlers on the river. The vigilance and intelligence of the commissioners, the experience and workmanship of the contractors, and the fine quality of the materials, which were inspected by the committee, give satisfactory assurance that the works will be executed in a style of taste as well as durability, inferior to none of the same kind in the United States. Presenting a fall of less than fifty feet in the distance of near two hundred miles, and flowing a volume, in its ordinary stages,

of more than twenty-eight thousand cubic feet per minute, few rivers on the continent are so well adapted to slack water improvement as Green river, and when it is considered, that, inclusive of its tributaries, more than two hundred and fifty miles of constant navigation can be produced, costing less than one thousand dollars a mile, the expediency of continuing the legislative patronage will scarcely be called in question. I take leave therefore to recommend, that the board of commissioners be authorized to put under contract two additional locks and dams on Green river, and one on Barren as soon as it can be conveniently done. I abstain from any comments on the undeniable importance of the proposed movements to the people concerned in them. The slightest glance at the map of the country contiguous to Green and Barren rivers, will furnish evidence of the wide spread benefits which must flow from the permanent improvement of their navigation.

The examination of the Licking river was prevented by the engagements of the engineers on the Kentucky, until the season, suitable for a survey, was too far advanced to permit it to be done to advantage. The postponement of it till the next year, when it will assuredly be made, will, it is hoped, be attended with no serious inconvenience. In the mean time, I must be permitted to express the confidence I entertain that its navigation is susceptible of ameliorations of the same kind, with the other principal rivers of the State.

Soon after the adjournment of the last Legislature, my attention was directed to the performance of the trust reposed in me, of making sale of the bonds or scrip for Internal Improvements. I sold to the Bank of Kentucky one hundred thousand dollars of the bonds at par, the Bank opening an interest account with the State, which amounted to a deduction of interest on the amount of moneys un-drawn. And shortly afterwards I appointed an agent on behalf of the State, with the power to negotiate the sale of the remaining one hundred thousand dollars, authorized to be expended during the year, in the eastern markets. He succeeded in disposing of them much to my satisfaction, at a premium of three dollars and ten cents on every hundred dollars, amounting to the sum of three thousand one hundred dollars on the amount sold by him. The whole were deposited to the credit of the Treasury of the Commonwealth, subject to the disposal of the board of Internal Improvement.

I deem it my duty to invite your attention to a careful supervision of the law for the Internal Improvement of the State. Although the general principles and provisions of the law have met with the most encouraging reception, yet the restrictions which it imposes on the powers of the board in the subscriptions of stock can, perhaps, be relaxed or taken away without any detriment to public interests. Those restrictions have already been intended with some inconvenience and complaint, and may have the effect to check the progress of important works, in some instances, after they have been commenced, and in others when they have been prosecuted almost to completion. Other modifications will no doubt occur to you in the details of the law, calculated to impart a due degree of efficiency to a system, which, considering its permanence and importance, cannot be too attentively matured.

While the view I am enabled to present of the public finances, is strongly indicative of the increased and increasing resources of the Commonwealth, it will at the same time exhibit the necessity of relieving the treasury of those extraordinary disbursements which have hitherto hung so heavily upon it, and which can with great propriety now be transferred to other distinct funds. The receipts into the treasury from all sources during the year ending on the 10th Oct. last, amounted to one hundred and ninety-one thousand four hundred and fifty-one dollars, eleven cents; and the expenditures for the same period, to the sum of two hundred and sixteen thousand, one hundred dollars, forty-five cents. In the latter sum, are included forty-four thousand, and sixty-six dollars, ninety cents, advanced for the purposes of Internal Improvement; and fifty-four thousand, nine hundred and fifty-six dollars, twelve cts. for other extraordinary appropriations made by the legislature of eighteen hundred and thirty-three, and eighteen hundred and thirty-four. If those latter sums, amounting together to ninety-nine thousand, twenty-three dollars, two cts. are taken from the aggregate expenditure of the year, there would remain the sum of one hundred and seventeen thousand, seventy-seven dollars, forty-three cents, being the whole amount of ordinary disbursements for the support of the Government. Deducting the latter sum from the amount of receipts into the treasury, exclusive of that portion of them appropriated by law, to purposes of internal improvement, there would remain a balance in favor of receipts of forty-seven thousand eight hundred and fifty-three dollars forty-three cents.

But a still more interesting fact remains to be adverted to. For the year ending on the 10th October, eighteen hundred and thirty-four, the revenue from taxation collected by the sheriffs, amounted to seventy-four thousand, one hundred and nineteen dollars, ninety-three cents; while at the expiration of the year ending on the 10th October last, the same revenue amounted to one hundred and twenty-four thousand, nine hundred and forty-four dollars, twenty-four cents, showing an increase of the revenue derived from taxation in one year, of fifty thousand, eight hundred and twenty-four dollars, thirty-one cents.

The condition of the penitentiary continues to be prosperous. The improvements which have been made by the

gent, during the present year, in the completion of the new buildings and the enlargement of the machinery, have imparted additional comfort and convenience to the interior of the prison, and great facilities to its employments. The increase of the number of convicts, in the last twelve months, suggests the propriety of adding to the number of cells. Of the latter there are but one hundred, while the inmates of the prison now number one hundred and sixteen. I cannot withhold, on the present occasion, the expression of my undiminished confidence in the vigilance and care with which the interests of the institution are conducted, and my approbation of the tenderness and humanity with which the unfortunate beings who inhabit it, are habitually treated.

The report of the President of the Bank of the Commonwealth, which will be submitted to you, will exhibit the present condition of that institution. You are not unapprised of the difficulties which have arisen in the closing of its concerns, produced by the unusual number of contested suits, growing out of the alledged unconstitutionalit of its charter. That question, so often decided affirmatively, by our court of appeals, is still pending before the supreme court of the United States, and it is expected, will be determined by that tribunal as soon as the existing vacancies on the bench are supplied.—During the year now closing the sum of sixty-three thousand five hundred dollars has been destroyed by burning, leaving unredeemed only thirty-six thousand five hundred dollars, a large part of which it may be supposed will never be offered for redemption.

The subject of education is of such vital importance, whether we regard its influence upon the condition of individuals or the government, as to demand its full share of attention in a communication like this. Impressed with the most thorough convictions of its excellency in interest, I cannot repress my regret that in the midst of the prosperity, derived from the abundance of our physical resources, feeble and divided efforts only are made, to diffuse its blessings and advantages throughout the community and that no practicable plan for that purpose has yet been adopted. In presenting the subject, again, to the enlightened consideration of the assembled representatives of the people, although I acknowledge my distrust of the sufficiency of any specific suggestion of my own, I am far from admitting, that to their wisdom and intelligence, our constituents may not be indebted for a system of common education, which would confer imperishable honor on them, and imperishable benefits on the county. While with a laudable public spirit, we expend millions in the physical improvement of the state, in developing its energies and augmenting its wealth, is to be forgotten, that the political influence which is thus derived is of subordinate importance when unattained with a moral influence which gives it so much weight and consequence. Shall we forget that the mind of the country is a portion of that moral influence, the true power which yields its destiny—and that that power becomes formidable, only when it is not directed by sufficient intelligence? Or shall we forget that in a republic, the sovereignty is in the people, and that it will cease to be secure, when it ceases to be enlightened? The truth, which the necessary answers to these questions imply, is too plain and familiar to require illustration—and I shall content myself with the most earnest commendation of the object referred to, to your care and attention, promising to afford every facility in my power, to its full accomplishment.

In my address to the legislature at the commencement of the last session, I deemed it my duty to advert at some length to the interesting relation that subsists between the judicial department and the people, and to the necessity of so adjusting the system as to secure to the bench the most competent qualifications. To enlarge, in this place, on the same subject, would be to reiterate the views then suggested, the propriety of which I have since had no reason to doubt. Every day's experience serves to convince us of the value that is justly attached to an enlightened judiciary; and brought as it is into immediate contact with the most invaluable rights and interests of the citizen, the propriety of securing the great object alluded to, by any necessary ameliorations of the present system, is submitted, as it legitimately belongs, to you as the organs of the public will.

My attention has of late been drawn to a donation of rare and valuable books which were made several years ago, by the English Government to Transylvania University, consisting of seventy-four folio volumes. Among them are included the Statutes of the Realm in twelve volumes, and the celebrated Domesday Book in four volumes, containing a survey of all the lands of England, made under the direction of William the Conqueror. It has been represented to me, that the present, although made to the only literary institution under the charge of the State, has by some casualty, never been publicly acknowledged. As a literary acquisition, it is peculiarly interesting; and as a proof of the comity of the nation from which it came, it is entitled to a respectful acknowledgement.

By a resolution of the last General Assembly, it was made my duty to cause a tombstone to be erected, with suitable inscriptions, to the memory of the late Governor Breathitt. The duty has been in part discharged. A portion of the materials has been transmitted to the county where his remains were deposited; and the remainder, which has been detained for the completion of the inscription, will be forwarded without any unnecessary delay. In the performance of a service appertaining to my public station, it has been gratifying to my feelings to be made the personal instrument of rendering a tribute to the memory of so much worth and virtue.

Those humane institutions—the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Danville, the Lunatic Asylum at Lexington, and the Cumberland Hospital at Smithfield, will continue, I trust, to receive your fostering care and patronage.

The commissioners appointed to receive subscriptions of stock in the Northern Bank of Kentucky, having notified me that ten thousand shares of the capital stock thereof had been taken by individuals, companies and corporations, subscribed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth for ten thousand shares, as directed by the thirty-fifth section of the act of incorporation. The Bank has since that time commenced operations.

In disposing of the scrip authorized to be issued for the payment of the State's subscription, I was governed by what I regarded the expression of the legislative intention, as contained in the proviso of the before mentioned section of the charter; which was construed to be, that if a fair premium could be obtained for the bonds, they should not be exacted to the Bank as payment for the stock subscribed; but that the premium should be realized.

From the experiment which I

had previously made, by a sale of a portion of the bonds for internal improvement,

I became satisfied that such a premium could be obtained as would justify the sale.

I declined therefore, in the exercise of the discretion confided to me,

letting the bonds go at par in payment of the subscription, and ultimately effectuated a sale of them to the President and Directors of the Bank, on the following terms: binding themselves to put the bonds again into market, with a stipulation in the contract with the purchaser from them to pay interest either in New York or Philadelphia, they assure to the State a certain premium of two per cent, equal to ten thousand dollars, to be deposited to the credit of the Treasurer on the first day of January, ensuing; if the bonds bring, on their sale of them, and a half per cent premium, they are bound to pay to the State a premium on their part of two and a half per cent, equal to twelve thousand five hundred dollars, and if they succeed in obtaining a premium of four per cent, they will pay to the State an additional half per cent, making the whole premium in the latter event three per cent, equal to fifteen thousand dollars. The stronger probability is that the last mentioned sum will be realized.

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Old Slip. Some vessels in Coffee House slip are already on fire; the night is intensely cold—and the scene of destruction is most sublime and awful! It is just reported that the stores in Exchange place, in the rear of the Exchange have taken fire. There is now a loud explosion of powder or the bursting of casks of spirituous liquors in a store in Water or Front street. The engines can do nothing to stop the progress of the flames.

Half past 11.—The flames are now raging in every direction from the place where they originated. All the buildings in Exchange street, below the Exchange, are destroyed; three or four of the buildings in Exchange place, are on fire, and the whole block to William street, as well as the Exchange, is in danger. The wind has somewhat subsided.

It is impossible to calculate the amount of damage already sustained; such goods as could be hastily saved, are strewn in the streets. We shall annex a list of such occupants of the stores and sufferers as we can gather in the confusion that prevails. Many immense stocks of goods are consumed. It is believed that more than one hundred stores and warehouses, including many of the most valuable in the city, are already destroyed.

Twelve o'clock.—The rear of the Exchange is now on fire, which is extending into the Post Office. A strong force of firemen is placed there, and hopes are entertained that this building will be saved. The fire is still extending to South street; some of the vessels between Coffee House and Old Slip have taken fire.

One o'clock.—The Exchange still on fire in the rear. The letters have been removed from the Post Office. There is now no knowing where the flames will be stopped; the hydrants are exhausted; the hose of many of the engines are frozen and useless, and the flames extending. Never was a more awful sight than is now presented. The fire is yet extending west of Pearl street; and will probably extend to Old Slip, and sweep off all the valuable buildings on the three squares bounded by Pearl, South and Wall streets, and Old Slip. The buildings on the west side of Wall street are yet standing, some of them much damaged in the rear. Nearly the whole block, bounded by Pearl street, Exchange place, William street and an immense pile of new and valuable warehouses, is now on fire and many of them already reduced to ashes. The scene grows worse; the Exchange it is said, cannot be saved. If this is destroyed all Wall street below William street must share the same fate, and expose to destruction the buildings east to an incalculable extent.

The stores of Howland and Aspinwall, Moses Taylor, Smith and Town, Osborn and Young and the whole on South Street, Front, Water and Pearl streets, between Coffee House and Old Slip are rapidly consuming. Fears are now entertained that the fire will extend on Pearl street below Old Slip. The Gazette office and many of the merchants are clearing out. The Exchange, it is said, cannot be saved, and we are preparing to move our publishing office from the opposite side of the street.

Three o'clock.—The Exchange is in ruins; it is reported that several persons have been killed, or severely wounded by the falling of the walls. The fire has now extended north from the Exchange to William street, on both sides, and threatens to continue through to Broad street. The Garden street church is reported to be on fire. The east side of Wall street is yet safe. The scene of desolation from Pearl street to the East river is awful. A messenger has just been despatched to the Navy Yard, for a supply of powder to blow up buildings, in order to stop the progress of the flames. The wind continues high; and there is yet no favorable prospect of any cessation of the flames, they have now reached the rear of Broad street.

Wall street, from Wall street to Old Slip on both sides, all destroyed.

Water street, from Wall street to Old Slip all destroyed.

Front street, from Wall to Old Slip all destroyed.

Merchant street all destroyed.

Exchange place to William street all destroyed.

William street, from Wall street nearly to Old Slip, destroyed.

Four o'clock.—There is hope that the fire in Wall street will be stopped by the American Insurance Co., and that that building, and those below, in Pearl street, will be saved. The buildings above the American Insurance office on the west side of Wall to William street, including the Exchange, are all destroyed; and two or three above William street. The fire is still taking toward Broad street, in the rear of Wall street, and may extend to the buildings on the latter. The east side of Wall street is yet safe.

The flames are yet extending down William street, the buildings on that street and toward Halloway square, including the Gazette office, are burnt down.

This is a terrible calamity to New York. It is believed that more than two hundred valuable stores and warehouses are destroyed, with the principal part of their contents. No estimate of the amount of damage can be made; some individual stock of goods are estimated as high as two, three and four hundred thousand dollars. The loss cannot fall much short of Twenty Millions of Dollars; and many are of the opinion that it will exceed thirty millions.

We have just heard the Mayor say, that an attempt would be made to arrest the flames before reaching Broad street by blowing up one or more of Mr. Long's stores with powder.

Nearly the whole of Lord's row of store houses in Exchange place, and the Church opposite, are ruined; and the flames extending rapidly toward Broad street.

The Daily Advertiser, and the American newspaper offices are destroyed, with all the machine presses of the establishments.

Five o'clock.—It is said to have extended below Old Slip on Pearl street, and there is no calculation where the ravages will be bounded.

Thursday morning, 10 o'clock.

We resume with heavy hearts, says the Mercantile Advertiser, the continuation of the particulars of the awful calamity that has befallen our city. The flames are yet raging, and are now principally confined to the square bounded by the south side of Pearl street, Coopers Slip, South street, and Old Slip. Nearly the whole of this extensive square is already in ruins. A number of buildings have been blown up to arrest the progress of the flames.

On *six o'clock*, it is believed the flames are now arrested so that they will not extend below Coopers Slip.

EVENING.

The Mayor called a meeting at his office this afternoon of such citizens as were willing to volunteer as a city patrol for the night, when Col. Sandford offered the services of his brigade of Militia, and they were accepted. A horse-patrol is also on duty to protect the property exposed, from plunderers.

The Common Council was convened this evening, to devise ways and means for the preservation of the city, and protecting exposed property in its present predicament.

The flames have now subsided, and it is believed will not extend further. It is estimated that not less than SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY buildings are destroyed, comprising perhaps the most valuable district of the city. Of these it is supposed the number in Pearl street is nearly 100; in Water street about 80; in Front street about 80 and in South street about 40.

It is impossible to give a correct or minute account of this conflagration, as they would fill a volume. The particulars of individual losses which momentously reach us, are heart sickening and overwhelming. We dare not attempt the recital. The whole city is in deep grief.

At a meeting of the New York Stock and Exchange Board, held at Mr. John Warren's, yesterday, Dec. 17, 1833.

Resolved, That the Stock and Exchange Board suspend all operation for the present week.

Resolved, That all contracts becoming due, prior to the 4th January next, shall be met by an allowance of four days' grace.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to procure rooms for the use of the Board.

Resolved, That the President, Vice President and Mr. Berney, be a committee to carry the foregoing resolution into effect.

R. D. WEEKS, President.

BEN'D. HART, Secretary.

LEXINGTON.

SATURDAY, JAN. 2, 1836.

"FRANKLIN" has been received.

We are desired to state to the Republican party of Jessamine county, that a meeting will be held in Nicholasville, on the 8th day of January next, for the purpose of choosing delegates to the State Convention to be held at Frankfort on the 22d of February.

From the great length of the Governor's Message, and the account of the disastrous fire at New York, we regret our inability to insert in this day's paper many valuable articles intended thereto, among which are the communication of "A friend to Justice," and the highly important decision of Judge Hickey, pronouncing that clause of the city charter, which attempts to confer Judicial power upon the Mayor, unconstitutional, null and void. We believe that this opinion in its ultimate effects will shake most of the City corporations in the Union.

GOV. MOREHEAD'S MESSAGE.

This document, which occupies most of our columns to-day, is one to which we are disposed to award considerable praise and little censure. Unlike those of his predecessor Metcalfe, who let no opportunity escape of tilting at the President and the General Government, it will be found mild and dignified in its tone, relating only to matters in which the State of Kentucky feels a deep and abiding interest. Is it to this we are to attribute the profound, and we may say ominous silence generally observed by the gentlemen of the opposition press? Have they been disappointed in their expectations of finding in it a tirade of vituperation so consonant to their feelings, that they will not deign to bestow on it a single remark approbatory or otherwise? An answer sufficiently obvious, at least to our mind, arises from reverting to the course pursued by them on previous occasions of a similar nature.

The message conveys a good deal of gratifying intelligence upon the progress of internal improvements in the State. In one point however, there is a mistake, which shows a want of minute and accurate acquaintance with facts. The Directors of the Lexington and Richmond Turnpike, having contracted for making 15 miles of that road, ten miles commencing at Lexington and terminating at Embry's in Fayette, and five miles commencing at the Kentucky river and terminating at Foxtown in Madison county. This is a fact.

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